

Dr. H. D. ROLLESTON, Fellow of St. John's College, Cambridge, was on June 15th appointed Assistant Physician, and Mr. Arthur Marmaduke Sheild, F.R.C.S., at the same time Assistant Surgeon, to St. George's Hospital. Dr. Rolleston has been Pathologist to St. George's Hospital for several years, and Mr. Marmaduke Sheild quits Charing Cross Hospital to return to his old school.

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

COUNCIL.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

A MEETING of the Council will be held in the Council Room of the Association, at No. 429, Strand (corner of Agar Street), London, on Wednesday, the 19th day of July next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

June, 1893.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary*.

NOTICE OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS FOR 1893.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

MEETINGS of the Council will be held on July 19th and October 25th, 1893. Candidates for election by the Council of the Association must send in their forms of application to the General Secretary not later than twenty-one days before each meeting—namely, June 29th, and October 4th, 1893.

Any qualified medical practitioner, not disqualified by any by-law of the Association, who shall be recommended as eligible by any three members, may be elected a member by the Council or by any recognised Branch Council.

Candidates seeking election by a Branch Council should apply to the Secretary of the Branch. No member can be elected by a Branch Council unless his name has been inserted in the circular summoning the meeting at which he seeks election.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary*.

BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Eye and Ear Hospital, Hallfield Road, Bradford, at 3 P.M., on Wednesday, June 28th, 1893, when the officers will be elected. Candidates to represent the Branch on the General Council of the Association must be nominated in writing by two members of the Branch. The annual dinner will take place at the Midland Hotel, Bradford, at 6.30 P.M. Members intending to read papers are requested to communicate at once with the Secretary.—ARTHUR JACKSON, Secretary, Wilkinson Street, Sheffield.

STIRLING, KINROSS, AND CLACKMANNAN BRANCH.—The annual meeting will be held in the Station Hotel, Stirling, on Thursday, June 22nd, at 4 P.M. Business: Report of Council, Treasurer's report, alteration of by-laws proposed, election of office bearers, Medical Charities Committee report, resolution regarding payment of travelling expenses of members of Parliamentary Bills Committee, circular from Therapeutic Committee of the Association, presidential address by Dr. Leslie. The annual dinner will be held after the meeting.—C. J. LEWIS, Honorary Secretary, Gabe Crescent, Stirling.

NORTH OF IRELAND BRANCH.—The annual meeting of the North of Ireland Branch will be held in the Museum, College Square, N., Belfast, on Thursday, July 20th. Gentlemen wishing to read papers or to bring any other business before the meeting will kindly give notice as early as convenient to the Honorary Secretary, JOHN W. BYERS, M.D., Lower Crescent, Belfast.

EAST ANGLIAN BRANCH.—A special Jubilee meeting of this Branch will be held at Stowmarket on Thursday, July 13th, under the presidency of Dr. Durrant, of Ipswich, who presided at the first meeting of the Branch held at Stowmarket in 1843—EDGAR G. BARNES, M.D., and M. BEVERLEY, M.D., Honorary Secretaries.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH.—The fifty-seventh annual meeting of this Branch will be held in the Town Hall, Chester, on Wednesday, June 28th, at 2.30 P.M. Agenda:—Inaugural address by the President (Mr. Taylor): The Profession and Some of its Relations to the Public. Report of Council and financial statement. Election of office-bearers. Election of new Council. Choice of place for holding next annual meeting. Medical and Surgical Communications:—Mr. Roger Williams: The Curability of Cancer of the Female Breast by Thorough Operations. Dr. Garry: The Value of Electricity in Gynaecology. Mr. Stanmore Bishop: The Radical Cure of Hernia. Dr. Briggs will show the specimens and briefly mention: (1) The Complete Fusion of Two Ovarian Tumours into One Mass (diagnostic difficulties with close double uterine attachments);

(2) The Removal in Sequence of Eight Polypi from the Body of the Uterus at One Operation; (3) Simple and Malignant Uterine Corporeal Adenomata (microscopic sections). Dr. Ernest S. Reynolds: Remarks on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Neurasthenia. Dr. Leslie Roberts: Some Points in the Etiology and Treatment of Ringworm. Dr. Judson S. Bury will show a case of Hemianesthesia presenting Peculiar Features. Dr. Rentoul gives notice that he will move: "That the members of the Lancashire and Cheshire Branch of the British Medical Association request that any amendment of the Births and Deaths Registration Acts shall provide certain clauses"—full text of which will be sent to each member of the Branch, together with the circular convening the meeting. A light luncheon, kindly provided by the members of the Branch in Chester, will be served at the Town Hall from 1 to 2.30 P.M. Arrangements have been made for a dinner at the Town Hall at 5.30 P.M.; tickets (wine not included) 7s. 6d. each.—CHARLES E. GLASCOTT, M.D., JAMES BARR, M.D., Honorary Secretaries, 23, St. John Street, Manchester.

SHROPSHIRE AND MID-WALES BRANCH.—The general annual meeting of this Branch will be held on Tuesday, June 27th. Dr. C. W. Suckling (Birmingham) will read a paper on Some Limits in Diagnosis. Members are requested to give notice of any business for that meeting to the Honorary Secretary, J. GRAY, Shrewsbury.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.—The twenty-third annual meeting will be held at the hospital, Swansea, on Wednesday, July 12th. Dinner at Langland Bay Hotel.—A. SHEEN, M.D., and D. ARTHUR DAVIES, M.B., Honorary Secretaries.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Holborn Restaurant on Tuesday, June 20th, at 5.30 P.M.—ANDREW CLARK, F.R.C.S., ISAMBAARD OWEN, M.D., Secretaries.

WEST SOMERSET BRANCH.—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Carnarvon Arms Hotel, Dulverton Station, on Thursday, June 22nd, at 12.15 P.M., under the presidency of Mr. R. J. Collyns. Ordinary business: Minutes; Report of Council; Treasurer's Report; Election of Officers; Place of Meeting and President-elect for 1894. President's Address. Papers and communications. Any gentleman having any paper or communication to bring before the meeting should send notice of its title to the Honorary Secretary. There will be a luncheon at 1.30; and at 2.30 carriages will be ready for an excursion to Tarr Steps and Winsford, returning to the Dulverton Station to catch the 7.5 train. The excursion will command views of the finest scenery in the neighbourhood. The President will kindly provide tea for the party at Winsford. Charge for lunch, 3s., exclusive of wine. Seats for the excursion, 4s. a head. In order that the necessary arrangements may be made, members are requested to communicate with the Honorary Secretary, W. M. KELLY, M.D., Taunton, not later than Monday, June 19th, stating whether (1) they propose to attend the meeting, (2) if they wish a seat for the excursion to be reserved for them.

CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON AND EAST ANGLIAN BRANCHES.

THE combined annual meeting of these Branches was held at Peterborough on May 25th, under the presidency of Dr. WALKER, President of the Cambridge and Huntingdon Branch. At noon separate meetings of the Branches were held for the purpose of transacting the annual business.

CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCH.

Officers and Council.—The following were unanimously re-elected members of the Council, namely: Dr. Bradbury, Mr. Hough, and Dr. B. Annington, of Cambridge, and Dr. Morris, of Bishop Stortford. Mr. Stear, of Saffron Walden, was unanimously re-elected Representative of Branch on the Council of the Association, as was Mr. Balding, of Royston, Representative on the Parliamentary Bills Committee. Dr. Joseph Griffiths, of Cambridge, was re-elected Honorary Secretary.

Autumn Meeting.—It was afterwards determined that an autumn meeting be held in Cambridge during the first week in October this year.

EAST ANGLIAN BRANCH.

New Members.—Herbert William Crosse, M.B., of Norwich, was elected a member of the British Medical Association and of the East Anglian Branch, and William H. Cooper-Patten, M.B., of Norwich, was elected a member of the East Anglian Branch.

Report of Council.—The report of Council stated that the numbers of the Branch were well maintained, six new members having joined during the past year. Among the members who had died were Mr. Joy, of Northwold, Mr. Reeve, of Reepham, Mr. Wayman, of Foulsham, Mr. Thomas, of Swaffham, Mr. Rodwell, of Loddon, Mr. T. Simpson, of Coggeshall, and Mr. T. W. Crosse, of Norwich. Successful meetings had been held at Brentwood and at Sheringham. The Council felt that the cordial thanks of the Branch were due to Dr. and Mrs. Emsden for their kind hospitality at Brentwood, and to Mrs. Upcher for the hospitable reception at Sheringham.

Arrangements had been made for a special meeting to be held on July 13th at Stowmarket, where the first meeting of the Branch was held, to celebrate its jubilee; and Dr. Durrant, of Ipswich, who was the first President, had kindly consented to take the chair on the occasion. It was recommended that this meeting should take the place of the usual autumnal meeting. It was also recommended that the annual meeting next year should be at Great Yarmouth, and that Mr. A. C. Mayo should be President-elect. The Council further recommended that Dr. W. A. Elliston, of Ipswich, should be re-elected one of the representatives of the East Anglian Branch on the Council of the Association, that the vacancy caused by the lamented death of Mr. T. W. Crosse should be filled by the appointment of Dr. Beverley, and that Dr. Manby be appointed representative of the Branch on the Parliamentary Bills Committee. The Council had received with regret the resignation of Mr. Abbott as Secretary for the Essex District, and recommended that the appointment of a successor be deferred until the Stowmarket meeting. The opinion was expressed that as a rule the presence of non-professional gentlemen at meetings of the Association was undesirable whilst purely technical papers were read and discussed. It was unanimously resolved that the report of Council be received and adopted.

Election of Branch Council.—The following constitute the Branch Council for 1893-94: The President, the past Presidents, Mr. C. E. Addison, Mr. R. C. Atthill, Mr. G. C. Edwards, Mr. R. V. Gosham, Mr. G. E. Jeaffreson, Dr. A. R. Manby, and Mr. H. B. Vincent.

Vote of Thanks to Retiring President.—A cordial vote of thanks was passed to Dr. Amsden, the retiring President, and he was elected a Vice-President of the Branch.

Luncheon.—Dr. and Mrs. Walker had invited the members of the two Branches to luncheon at their house, where nearly sixty guests were entertained.—Dr. AMSDEN, the President of the East Anglian Branch, proposed a very hearty vote of thanks, in which all the members joined, to Dr. and Mrs. Walker for their hospitality.—Dr. WALKER briefly replied.

COMBINED MEETING.

After luncheon the combined meeting was held in the Infirmary.

President's Address.—The retiring President of the Cambridge and Huntingdon Branch, Mr. LUCAS, of Huntingdon, in suitable words, introduced the new President, Dr. WALKER, who delivered an interesting address on the history of Peterborough, beginning with the Romano-British period. In illustration of his remarks he had had displayed on the tables his own collection of both Roman and Saxon remains found near the site of the Infirmary.

Typhlitis.—A discussion upon the "Nature and Treatment of Typhlitis" was opened, the HON. SECRETARY of the Cambridge and Huntingdon Branch reading a paper by Dr. L. Humphry, Cambridge, who was unavoidably absent.—Drs. BRADBURY and NEWMAN, Professor ALLBUTT, and Dr. WALKER took part in the discussion.

Cases and Specimens.—Dr. WALKER read notes of, and exhibited two interesting cases—one a male and the other a female, both between 30 and 40 years, of the malady known as "Spondylitis Deformans."—Dr. JOSEPH GRIFFITHS demonstrated specimens of Leprosy that had recently been sent to him for the Cambridge Pathological Museum by Dr. Beaven Rake, of Trinidad.—In the wards the following cases were shown: (1) Riggs's Disease of the Gums in a lad 18 to 20 years old. (2) Sarcoma (?) of the Base of the Skull, which had for several (four) years been under the care of Dr. Kirkwood. This growth, probably of a fibrocellular nature, had grown not only towards the interior of the skull, causing optic neuritis and blindness, but also downwards into, and partially occluding the pharynx and fauces. (3) Prolapse of the Gut after lumbar colotomy, performed for the relief of a recto-urethral or recto-urinary fistula. Since the colotomy the urine all escaped *per rectum*, but before the urine came the right way, containing not infrequently small portions of faeces. The fistula resulted after lateral lithotomy five years previously. (4) Pyloric Cancer in a woman, in which gastro-enterostomy by Senn's method was performed, after which the patient enjoyed much greater comfort.

Visits to Cathedral, etc.—After the meeting all the members

went to the Palace, where they were entertained at tea by Mrs. Creighton. After tea parties were conducted by Dr. Walker and Mr. Townsend over the very interesting monastic and other remains around, and also into the Cathedral.

PERTSHIRE BRANCH.

THE summer meeting of this Branch was held at Crieff on June 2nd, Dr. A. THOM, President, in the chair.

Minutes.—The minutes of last meeting were read, approved, and signed by the President.

New Members.—The following gentlemen were duly elected members of the Branch: Dr. Alex. Grant, Comrie; Dr. J. C. D. Irvine, Muthill; Dr. C. B. Ker, Crieff; and Dr. C. D. Temple, Comrie.

Death of Dr. Buchanan.—The SECRETARY read letters relative to the death of Dr. Buchanan.

Perth Sick Nursing Society.—The SECRETARY then read a letter from Dr. Trotter relative to the Perth Sick Nursing Society engaging a trained nurse for those able to pay for her services. He reported that he had twenty-one favourable replies to this proposal exclusive of two doubtful. The meeting agreed to support this movement by recommending the services of the nurse so engaged to their patients as necessity might arise.

Representative of Branch on Council.—Dr. Urquhart was re-elected representative of the Branch on the Council and on the Parliamentary Bills Committee.

Medical Officers of Health for Scotch Counties.—Dr. URQUHART referred briefly to the question of medical officers of health for Scottish counties being permitted to engage in private practice, and stated that he had received replies in the negative from twenty-two members of the Branch, one only dissenting. He also referred to the unsatisfactory state of matters prevalent in regard to death certificates, and the necessity for some revision of the general practice in Scotland. Twenty-two members of the Branch had agreed to this, and only one dissented.—The PRESIDENT moved, and Dr. ROBERTSON seconded his motion: "That these questions be referred to the Council for report, and that Dr. Trotter's name be added to the Council for this purpose." The motion was carried unanimously.

Proposed Dundee Branch.—The SECRETARY reported that the General Council had agreed to the recommendation of the Branch Organisation Committee in reference to the Dundee proposals, detailed in previous minutes, namely, "that the Dundee Branch be recognised subject to the regulations for the foundation of Branches adopted by the Council being complied with." He further explained that these regulations had not yet been considered, and it would be necessary for the members of the Association resident in Forfarshire to join the existing Perthshire Branch, as a preliminary step to subdivision of the district.—The PRESIDENT moved, and Dr. ROBERTSON seconded, "That the Secretary call a special meeting of the Branch, at such time as may be convenient, to receive proposals from members of the Association resident in Forfarshire desirous of joining the Perthshire Branch, and to consider a requisition as to the proposed division of the Branch."

Antipyrin.—The SECRETARY stated that he had received a communication from the Therapeutic Committee relative to the possibility of hurtful effects from antipyrin, and requested those members willing to report the results of their experience to communicate with him as soon as possible.

Luncheon and Dinner.—The members met at Dr. Alex. Thom's house for luncheon, and drove thereafter to Drummond Castle, for which the President had obtained a special permit. By kind invitation of Dr. Meikle they dined at the Strathearn House Hydropathic Establishment prior to their return home. Dr. R. ROBERTSON, for the members present, thanked the President and Dr. Meikle for their hospitality, and gracefully acknowledged the obligations conferred on the Branch by their generous services.

MIDLAND BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of this Branch was held at the Infirmary, Leicester, under the presidency of Mr. FRANKLIN.

Officers and Council.—The following were elected: *Representatives of the Branch on the Council of the Association*: Drs. Hand-

ford and Pope. *Parliamentary Bills Committee*: Dr. Charles Harrison. *Vice-President* for Derbyshire: Mr. Wm. Iliffe. *Vice-President* for Nottinghamshire: Mr. Evan Powell. *Branch Council*: Dr. Wright and Dr. Tate, Nottinghamshire; Dr. Greaves and Mr. Hough, Derbyshire; Dr. Harrison and Dr. Sympton, Lincolnshire; Dr. Neale and Mr. Douglas, Leicestershire. *President-Elect*: Mr. R. Wilson, Grantham.

President's Address.—Mr. FRANKLIN delivered an address on the Results of Abdominal Section performed in the Leicester Infirmary during the past four years.

Communications.—The following were presented: Dr. POPE: Notes on some Cases of Nervous Disease following Influenza; also specimens from a case of Phosphorus Poisoning.—Mr. BOND: Remarks on Cleft Palate Operations, and their after-results.—Dr. HANDFORD: The Gallop Rhythm in Cardiac Disease.—Dr. SYMPSON: Note on Salol as an Intestinal Antiseptic.—Dr. NEALE: Some Observations on Vaccination and Revaccination.—Mr. STEWART showed some Microscopic Specimens and Casts from Brains.

Luncheon and Dinner.—The PRESIDENT entertained the members at luncheon in the infirmary, and after the meeting the dinner was held at the Royal Hotel.

New Members.—At the meeting of the Branch Council held on the same day, the election of the following members under Rule 3 was confirmed: Dr. G. W. Dickson, Mr. G. S. Sims, Mr. H. G. L. Alford, Dr. H. J. Neilson. The following were also elected to the Branch: Dr. J. T. H. Davies, Dr. Jas. Hunter, Mr. W. J. Spence, Dr. R. Broadbent, Mr. J. T. Tibbles, Mr. J. P. Emerson, Dr. J. Priestley, Mr. A. T. Coleman, Mr. Arthur Gardiner, Mr. A. J. Wright, and Dr. R. Farrar. Mr. H. A. Howes was elected a member of the Association and Branch.

SOUTH MIDLAND BRANCH.

THE thirty-eighth annual meeting of this Branch was held at Northampton on June 8th, 1893, under the presidency of Mr. LEE F. COGAN, who hospitably entertained the members and visitors at luncheon, prior to the commencement of the business. Thirty-six members attended, Dr. Joseph Griffiths, honorary secretary of the Cambridge and Huntingdon Branch, being present as a visitor.

Minutes.—The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

New Members.—The following gentlemen were proposed and elected members, namely, Messrs. H. F. Knyvett, G. H. Brand, A. W. Cooke, and J. G. Pardoe, Northampton; W. Mackenzie, Raunds; C. J. Lathbury, Dunstable; T. L. Kennish, Winslow; C. F. Routh, Uppingham; A. J. Little, Elstree; H. H. Phipps, Kingscliff; James Shaw, Waddesdon; A. C. Hartley, Bedford; A. MacLean, Harpenden; C. H. Mayhew and G. H. Phillpot, Aylesbury; Herbert Burland, Finedon.

Letters and Communications.—A letter from the General Secretary and report from the Medical Charities Committee on the question of wage limit were read. A letter relating to an indemnity fund proposed to be raised to reimburse Dr. Rentoul the expenses he had incurred in his opposition to the Midwives Bill; and a communication from the Therapeutic Committee of the Association asking members to give their opinion and experience on the action of antipyrin, acetanilide, and phenacetin as antipyretic and analgesic agents were also read. No action was taken on them, and they were ordered to lie on the table.

British Institute of Preventive Medicine.—Papers were also presented relating to the foundation of a British Institute of Preventive Medicine, and asking for subscriptions for the same.—Mr. HEMMING and Dr. GRIFFITHS made remarks upon the subject, and Dr. BUSZARD moved that a donation of five guineas from the Branch funds be given to the Institute. This was seconded and carried.

President's Address.—Mr. COGAN delivered his presidential address, taking as his subject, "Preventive Medicine." He dwelt more particularly on the subject of tuberculosis. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to him for his address.

Communications.—Mr. W. G. NASH (Bedford) related a case of Chronic Otitis Media; Septicæmia; Exploration of Mastoid Antrum and Lateral Sinus; Recovery. A discussion ensued, in which Drs. BUSZARD and GRIFFITHS, Messrs. AUDLAND,

MILLIGAN, and others took part; and Mr. NASH replied.—Dr. A. H. JONES (Northampton) read a paper on Myxœdema, and showed patients, both adult and children, who had undergone the thyroid treatment, and exhibited photographs.—Other papers were left unread owing to want of time.

Votes of Thanks were passed to the retiring President (Dr. Maguire), for his services during the past year; to the President, for his hospitality and for his conduct in the chair; and to the readers of papers.

Future Meetings.—It was resolved that the autumnal meeting be held at Towcester on October 5th, and that a combined meeting of the Cambridge and Huntingdon and South Midland Branches be held at Bedford in the summer of next year.

Election of Officers.—Dr. Rowland H. Coombs, of Bedford, was appointed President-Elect for 1894-95. Mr. J. Hughes Hemming was again appointed to the conjoint offices as representative of the Branch on the General Council and on the Parliamentary Bills Committee, with the thanks of the Branch for his past valuable services.—The Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary were also re-elected.

ABERDEEN, BANFF, AND KINCARDINE BRANCH.

AN ordinary general meeting of this Branch was held at Banchory on June 8th; Dr. ANGUS FRASER in the chair.

Representative on Council of Association.—The minutes of the last meeting having been read and approved, Dr. Mackenzie Booth was appointed Representative of the Branch on the General Council of the Association for the ensuing year.

Therapeutic Investigation.—A proposal of the Therapeutic Committee to investigate the action of several new drugs was laid before the meeting, and several members promised to communicate their experience.

Excursion and Dinner.—An omnibus excursion was arranged for the convenience of members, leaving Aberdeen at 11.30 A.M. and arriving at Banchory at 2.15 P.M. After the meeting the members present dined together in the Burnett Arms Hotel, under the presidency of Dr. Angus Fraser.

STAFFORDSHIRE BRANCH.

THE third general meeting of the present session was held at Wolverhampton on May 25th, Dr. MALET, President, in the chair. Twenty members were present.

New Members.—The following gentlemen were elected members of the Branch: A. M. Bankier, M.D., Wolverhampton; E. Deanesly, M.D., Wolverhampton; J. Leys, M.B., Norton-le-Moors; and T. Maitland, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Walsall.

Report of Council.—The report of Council stated that in accordance with a reference from the Branch they had considered the circular of the Lancashire and Cheshire Branch, dated December 28th, 1892, asking for an expression of opinion from that Branch with reference to the payment, out of the funds of the Association, of the travelling expenses of members of the Parliamentary Bills Committee. It was decided to recommend the Branch to intimate to the Lancashire and Cheshire Branch their approval of the general principle embodied in Dr. Rentoul's proposal. The Council had also considered the circular received from the Secretary of the Midwives Bill Opposition and Rentoul Indemnity Fund asking for a subscription to the fund from this Branch. It was recommended that no subscription should be sent, but that the Branch, in reply, expresses their appreciation of Dr. Rentoul's efforts and their wishfulness to encourage private subscription towards the fund. They had also considered a circular letter from the General Secretary enclosing a report of the Committee on Medical Charities, and asking for an expression of opinion from this Branch with reference to a wage limit for recipients of medical charities for that district. It was recommended that a reply be sent to the effect that while they were conscious of the existence of the evil referred to, it was felt that under present circumstances no action could be taken in that district with any hope of success. The report was adopted.

Cases.—Mr. T. VINCENT JACKSON exhibited the following cases exemplifying successful operations: 1. A man aged 68, whose Tongue had been Removed by Whitehead's Method for Epithelial Cancer; no recurrence up to date. Mr. Jackson exhibited a pair of catch forceps for grasping each lingual

artery before the tongue was cut away. 2. A man, aged 72, from whose Bladder a Uric Acid Stone weighing 150 grains had been Removed by Lithotripsy. A calculus also weighing 150 grains had been removed in the same way by Mr. Jackson six and a-half years before. 3. A boy, aged 16, from whose Bladder a Large Stone of mixed composition had been Removed by Suprapubic Lithotomy. 4. A little girl, aged 4 years, who had been Trephined for Cerebral Abscess, the result of injury.—Dr. DEANESLY showed: 1. A man, aged 29, who Wounded the Axillary Vein by accidentally puncturing his right armpit with a knife. A ligature was applied to the vein above and below the wound, which was half an inch long, and the skin wound closed. Recovery was uncomplicated. 2. A lad, aged 16, who had had very extensive Necrosis of the Lower End of the Right Femur, the result of acute infective osteomyelitis eight months previously. Numerous large sequestra were removed; and now, four months after the operation, the wound was almost healed, and the lad was able to bear his weight on the limb. In dealing with necrosis in this situation, very free access was required. 3. A boy, aged 6 years, with Tuberculous Necrosis of both Femurs, who had been successfully operated on by removal of sequestra, and scraping of the abscess cavities, which were afterwards flushed with 1 in 3,000 solution of perchloride of mercury. About 1 ounce of iodoform emulsion was then poured in, and the wounds completely closed with sutures, including the muscles on each side. Both wounds healed without suppuration within three weeks and there was now no trace of the disease except a sound linear scar on each side.

Specimen.—Mr. T. VINCENT JACKSON showed three quarters of an inch of the Right Spinal Accessory Nerve removed on the inner side of the sterno-mastoid muscle for wry-neck in a man. After the operation the man was able to sleep, and was free from the pain which had previously been constant.

Anæsthetics.—Dr. S. KING ALCOCK read a paper on the administration of anæsthetics, which led to an interesting discussion, in which many members took part.

Medical Protection Society.—Mr. T. VINCENT JACKSON introduced a discussion on the advisability of the medical practitioners of the county of Stafford affiliating themselves with a medical defence association.—Dr. G. A. HERON (London) explained the objects of the London and Counties Society. After the meeting most of the members present attended a meeting, with Dr. MALET in the chair, to discuss the desirability of forming a Staffordshire branch of the London and Counties Medical Protection Society, and Dr. Blumer, of Stafford, and Dr. Ridley Bailey, of Bilston, were appointed secretaries *pro tem.*, to take the preliminary steps necessary for the formation of the branch.

EAST YORK AND NORTH LINCOLN BRANCH.

The annual meeting of this Branch was held at Hull on June 7th, Mr. E. H. HOWLETT, President, in the chair.

President's Address.—After luncheon the PRESIDENT delivered an address on Immunity and the Treatment of Bacillary Diseases by Defensive Proteids.

Communications.—Dr. E. O. DALY made some remarks on Glycosuria.—Mr. R. H. B. NICHOLSON showed a case of Cholecystotomy for Persistent Obstruction. The patient was secreting about a pint of bile a day, which escaped into a rubber cup, adherent to the skin by suction action, and thence by a tube into a reservoir.—Dr. LOWSON read notes of a case of Ectopic Gestation, in which he successfully removed the ovum in a mass of clot from Douglas's pouch, about fourteen days after rupture in the third week of pregnancy. Dr. Lowson also showed a man from whom he had removed the Cæcum for Epithelioma, eighteen months ago; the patient was in good health.—Dr. W. C. ROCKLIFFE related a case of Glioma of the Optic Nerve, removed two years after the occurrence of exophthalmos.—Dr. PIGEON read notes of cases of Excision of the Appendix Vermiformis for Relapsing Inflammation.

THE Great Eastern Railway have issued a new edition of their *Tourist Guide to the Continent* (price 6d.). The volume contains a good deal of useful information about Holland and Belgium especially, and a short cyclists' itinerary. There is a good railway map extending from Trondhjem to Trieste and from Salisbury to Vienna, with an inset map of Italy.

CORRESPONDENCE.

POLICE SURGEONS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.

SIR,—A few weeks since you permitted me to ask, through the columns of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, for information as to the position and mode of remuneration of police surgeons throughout the kingdom. The replies I have received up to the present time have enabled me to construct the following table which will be found, I hope, of interest to

Table showing Strength of Police Force, Number of Surgeons, Salary, and Fees of Surgeons in the following places:

Name of Force.	Strength.	Number of Surgeons	Salary of Surgeons.	Fees for visits to Sick Prisoners, etc.
Bath	86	1	£50	NIL.
Blackburn	126	1	£100	"
Bolton	119	1	£40	"
Burnley	80	1	£40	"
Brighton	178	1	£100	5s. day, 7s. 6d. night
Gateshead	85	1	*	3s. 6d. day, 7s. 6d. night
Gloucester	40	1	£12	"
Halifax	84	1	£34 10s.	NIL.
Hastings	62	1	£12	"
Liverpool	1,600	4	£120 to £150	"
Manchester	14,000	2	£125	3s. 6d. day, 7s. 6d. night
Metropolitan	76	1	£85	"
Middlesbrough	76	1	£300 to £400	3s. day, 5s. night
Newcastle-on-Tyne ..	68	1	£68	"
Newport	71	1	£50	NIL.
Northampton	132	1	£70	"
Oldham	105	1	3s. a head	3s. 6d. day
Preston	76	1	£52 10s.	NIL.
Reading	73	1	£30	"
Rochdale	74	1	£30	Not fixed
St. Helens	80	1	£120	NIL.
Southampton	74	1	£40	3s. 6d. day, 5s. night
Stockport	69	1	£30	NIL.
Walsall	62	1	£35	5s. a visit
Wigan	82	1	£40	"
Wolverhampton	72	1	£40	NIL.
York				

* 6s. a year per man.

† 10s. a year for inspectors, 6s. for men.

many of your readers beyond those immediately concerned; they have shown, too, that there is a desire felt for the formation of a United Kingdom Police Surgeons' Association, and I have agreed to receive the names of police surgeons willing to join, who are asked to enclose a postal order for 2s. 6d. to defray expenses of printing, postage, etc.

I think I ought to acknowledge my indebtedness to Mr. Frederick Lowndes, of Liverpool, for valuable suggestions, and to Mr. H. Culliford Hopkins, of Bath, for assistance in constructing the table. Both of these gentlemen will, I hope, take an active part in the management of the proposed Association.—I am, etc.

Dulwich Grove, S.E., June 10th.

H. NELSON HARDY.

"NIGHT SHELTERS" AND THE PROPAGATION OF SMALL-POX.

SIR,—We English are generally jealous of interference on the part of authorities, and rightly so, too; but I think there should be a limit to freedom of action when the lives of others are thereby at stake.

With the existing law the commercially conducted common lodging houses come under the safe-guarding control of the Common Lodging Houses Acts, whereas the Salvation Army and other similar semi-religious and philanthropic shelters are allowed to escape by virtue of some inexplicable legal vagary, since they have been ruled to be outside the definition of the term "common lodging house."

At the onset in January of the present outbreak of small-pox, I felt it my duty to point out to the sanitary authority of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, and to the Local Government Board the expediency of the prompt provision of a remedy, by means of legislation, for this anomalous and dangerous state of affairs.

The parish of St. George, Southwark, the poorest and most densely populated sanitary area in the whole of London, enjoys the distinction of possessing in its midst the largest metropolitan Salvation "shelter," situated in the Blackfriars